

12. At page 30, line 27 replace the word "inhibit" by the word -stimulate--.

13. At page 30, line 28 replace the word "follicle" by the word -follicles--.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Once amended) A method for treating a thyroid disorder, the method comprising the step of administration of a [neurotoxin] botulinum toxin to a patient, thereby treating a thyroid disorder.

2. (Once amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the [neurotoxin] botulinum toxin is administered to the thyroid of the patient.

4. (Once amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the [neurotoxin] botulinum toxin is administered to a sympathetic ganglion which innervates the thyroid.

6. (Once amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the [neurotoxin] botulinum toxin is administered in an amount of between about 10^{-3} U/kg and about 35 U/kg.

7. (Once amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the [neurotoxin] botulinum toxin is made by a Clostridial bacterium.

8. Cancel claim 8.

a⁷ 10. (Once amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the [neurotoxin]
botulinum toxin is botulinum toxin type A.

Cancel claims 13-20.

09706211.110200